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REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Zucker for withdrawing the previous restriction requirement.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application, as amended, in view of the following remarks.

Okazoe et al, Journal of Fluorine Chemistry, 112 (2001) 109-116, "A new route to perfluorinated vinyl ether monomers: Synthesis of perfluoro(alkoxyalkanoyl)fluorides from non-fluorinated compounds" was published on November 28, 2001. The publication date is evidenced by the print-out from the "sciencedirect" web-site.

Takashi Okazoe, Kunio Watanabe, Masahiro Itoh and Shin Tatematsu who are listed as authors of Okazoe et al are inventors of the claimed invention of the above-identified application. They have provided the attached **Declaration** stating that <u>Daisuke Shirakawa</u> who is listed as an author of Okazoe et al did not contribute to the claimed invention of the above-identified application. Accordingly, this rejection should be withdrawn.

As requested by the Examiner, Applicants have reviewed the specification for typographical errors. No typographical errors were found.

Claim 2 has been amended as suggested by the Examiner.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge that the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement, filed in the above-identified application on April 25, 2005, have been considered. For the Examiner's convenience a copy of Form PTO 1449 as filed on April 25, 2005, is attached herewith.

This application presents allowable subject matter, and the Examiner is kindly requested to pass it to issue. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the claims or otherwise wish to discuss this case, he is kindly invited to contact Applicants' below-signed

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representative, who would be happy to provide any assistance deemed necessary in speeding this application to allowance.

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